H. R. 5008

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2004 Received

AN ACT

To provide an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1	SECTION 1. ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF PRO-
2	GRAMS UNDER SMALL BUSINESS ACT AND
3	SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT ACT OF 1958.
4	The authorization for any program, authority, or pro-
5	vision, including any pilot program, that was extended
6	through June 4, 2004, by section 1 of Public Law 108–
7	217 is further extended through September 30, 2004,
8	under the same terms and conditions.
9	SEC. 2. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.
10	Section 2 of Public Law 108–205 is amended by
11	striking "October 1, 2003" and inserting "March 15,
12	2004". The amendment made by the preceding sentence
13	shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the
14	section to which it relates.
15	SEC. 3. COMPENSATION OF AGENTS.
16	Section 5 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 634)
17	is amended—
18	(1) in subsection (g)(4), by adding at the end
19	the following:
20	"(C) The Administration may contract
21	with an agent to carry out, on behalf of the Ad-
22	ministration, the assessment and collection of
23	the annual fee established under section
24	7(a)(23). The agent may receive, as compensa-
25	tion for services, any interest earned on the fee
26	while in the control of the agent before the time

1	at which the agent is contractually required to
2	remit the fee to the Administration."; and
3	(2) in subsection (h)—
4	(A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
5	paragraph (3); and
6	(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
7	following:
8	"(2) The agent described in paragraph (1)(B)
9	may be compensated through any of the fees as-
10	sessed under this section and any interest earned on
11	any funds collected by the agent while such funds
12	are in the control of the agent and before the time
13	at which the agent is contractually required to trans-
14	fer such funds to the Administration or to the hold-
15	ers of the trust certificates, as appropriate.".
	Passed the House of Representatives September 13,
	2004.
	Attest: JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.